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REMARKS

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with practice under Ex Parte Quayle.

Claims 24—31 and 35—39 are allowed.

This Response is intended to supply the signed Declaration, as required by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed 02/27/2007.

The Declaration

This case had a Notice to File Missing Parts, which was mailed 09/18/2001. The Applicant responded with the required signed Declaration on 12/18/2001, with a one-month late fee.

The Applicant hereby provides a copy of the documents filed on 12/18/2001. In particular, the Applicant hereby provides a copy of the signed Declaration.

Conclusion

The Applicant submits that the attached Declaration satisfies the requirements of the Office Action mailed 02/27/2007. If the Examiner has any questions, concerns or additional needs, please call me, and I will do everything possible to provide what is needed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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